



# Knights Enham Schools

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Dear Parents and Carers,

You may have seen recent media coverage highlighting a significant rise nationally in so-called ‘sextortion’ crimes involving children and young people. These crimes involve criminals misusing artificial intelligence (AI) to manipulate innocent images of children, creating explicit content which is then used to blackmail victims, their families, and in some cases, schools.

In a recent incident, UK police intervened to prevent the distribution of manipulated images that had been taken from a school website and altered using AI technology. The perpetrators contacted the school directly, threatening to release the images more widely unless a payment was made.

This is an emerging and very real risk which we must take seriously.

As a precaution, we have taken the decision to temporarily remove all images from our website that clearly show children’s faces. Over the coming weeks, we will begin to reintroduce imagery in a safer way. This means that future photographs will either avoid showing faces, focus on children’s work, or depict wider scenes where individuals cannot be identified. Where appropriate, individual images will still be shared directly with families for personal use.

We appreciate that this change may feel disappointing. We are incredibly proud of our pupils and love celebrating their achievements with our community. However, like you, our priority is always to keep children safe.

We are confident that, together, staff and families will continue to find positive and creative ways to celebrate and share children’s achievements, whilst protecting them from these risks.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support as we respond to this developing issue.

Yours sincerely

**Mr D Whitehouse**  
**Executive Headteacher**

## At Knights Enham Schools we provide...

Inclusive and ambitious learning experiences where our school community feels safe and motivated to achieve their best.  
**‘Together We Achieve’**



Knights Enham Nursery & Infant School



Exceptional	●●●●●
Strong Standard	●●●●●
Expected Standard	●●●●●
Needs Attention	●●●●●
Urgent Improvement	●●●●●

